

Feeding our neighbors, one plate at a time.



CLOSTER FOOD PANTRY

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We hope you are savoring these last few weeks of summer with friends and family. Thanks for checking in on the Closter Food Pantry.

OUR SUPPORTERS AND VOLUNTEERS ROCK!

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

We couldn't do what we do without the generous support of our community. We are pleased to share with you the below profiles of sharing and caring and ways in which you can help.

We thank **Jill and Sam Beer** (Norwood) who who donated all the favorite foods of their son, Daniel, in honor of the second anniversary of his passing.



Temple Emanu-El of Closter shared with us wonderful news of the following very generous donations. These financial and gift card donations enable us to purchase foods and supplies that we otherwise would be unable to offer to our families. Sincerest thanks to all for thinking of the Food Pantry!

- **Cantor Orna Green** (Teaneck) in memory of Chaim Rogev z"l, step father of Cantor Orna Green

- the Adult Bat Mitzvah Group - **Ilene Brogadir** (Park Ridge), **Gloria Nelson** (Tenafly), **Delly Yaker** (Norwood), and Demarest residents **Lisa Ginsburg, Holly Goldrich, Jin Kupperman**, and **Alicia Messer**) in honor of their Bat Mitzvah celebrated at the Temple in May
- **Sarah and David Nanus** (Tenafly) in honor of their daughter, Abigail's Bat Mitzvah celebrated at the Temple in May
- the **Temple's Sisterhood** which donated a Shop Rite gift card.

We have the most generous **anonymous** donors! Although we can't thank you by name, please do know that we so very much appreciate the 16 bottles of Ajax dish detergent; two cases of cat food; and 11 boxes of Folgers coffee singles that will all be shared with those in need.



A big shout out to volunteers who sort, date, and shelve food donations.

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Carissa Hollenga
Danny Jakab
Nicole Jakab
Sabrina Kramer

Demarest

Noa Mikay

Old Tappan

Angela Schuster

PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

In the summer, donations often wane, although the needs of our families do not. We especially need the items below, but welcome any donations. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

- Cooking oils (olive and vegetable)
- Mustard and mayonnaise
- Salad dressing
- Juice and juice boxes
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Body wash

FOOD DRIVES/FINANCIAL DONATIONS

If your family, employer, religious or other organization would like to **host a food drive** in the upcoming months, please contact us at fabofcloster@gmail.com for more information and let us help you plan a successful event!

If you would like to **make a financial donation** to the Closter Food Pantry, please make your check out to “Food & Assistance Board of Closter” and mail it to 295 Closter Dock Road, Closter, NJ 07624.

SAVE THE DATE -8th ANNUAL TOWNWIDE YARD SALE

Mark your calendars – **Closter’s 8th Annual Town-Wide Yard Sale** will be **Saturday Oct. 19, 2019** (optional rain date **Sunday, Oct. 20**).

This event continues to strengthen our community ties as families host sales together or visit neighbors’ sales and treasures pass from one home to another. Think about being part of this great event in 2019! Registration forms will be available online in Sept.

MAC BAIN FARMS – GROWING PRODUCE AND COMMUNITY

Remember that **MacBain Farm** (203 Hickory Lane, Closter) is now mid-season of beautiful fresh produce available to Closter residents to pick for free. Volunteers are on staff when the farm is open (Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday from 9 am-1 pm

and 4 -6 pm) to help first timers, and there is a list at the gate indicating what crops are pickable each week and maps are provided so visitors can locate their favorite produce. The farm provides pails for the items harvested, and residents can fill a pail each day. MacBain grows varieties of lettuce, cabbage, squash, peppers, beans, tomatoes, eggplant, and cucumbers. Join in the fun -- bring ID and a knife or scissors.



MacBain Farm has always supported the Closter Food Pantry with donations and encourages our Closter resident clients to take advantage of the fresh and beautiful produce available for free.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Getting to Know the Closter Food Pantry

The Closter Food Pantry’s mission is to serve residents of Closter, as well as any neighboring town that doesn't have its own food pantry, which includes Alpine, Demarest, Haworth, and Harrington Park. The Pantry is supported 100% by private donations, receives no state or federal subsidies, and is staffed solely by volunteers.

The families we serve have homes and most have jobs, but the families are having difficulty making ends meet. The gap between the federal poverty level and the cost of living in New Jersey is huge. The Closter Food Pantry thanks you for helping us to bridge the gap.

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IMPORTANT: *If you know anyone in Closter who may be in need and is hesitant to come forward or just might not know how, please email us fabofcloster@gmail.com or call (201) 784-0600, extension 429. All inquiries are received in complete confidence. The Closter Food Pantry (CFP) is located on the ground floor level of Borough Hall at 295 Closter Dock Road. On the second Thursday of every month we host "Open Door Night" where families receive the non-perishable food items they need. Our Open Door Night schedule for 2019 is posted on the CFP bulletin board next to the elevator. First-time visitors are welcome with a current form of photo identification and proof of residency.*